GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:403
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PROMOTION OF KUNG FU AND KARATE
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kung-Fu and Karate are approved sports and as such are being encouraged in the country;

(b) if so, the factual position in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for the promotion of these sports in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) & (b) : For the promotion of Karate Government of India has recognizeda National Sports Federation for the purpose, however, no National Sport Federation relating to Kung-Fu is recognised by the Government.

(c) In the recent past no organisation relating to the Kung-Fu has sought recognition of the Government.

(d) In the present set up, the promotion of a particular sport is primarily the responsibility of the concerned National Sports Federation. However, the Federation relating to Karate is eligible for financial assistance for holding National championships.